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# Advertiser.

U. S. WEATHER BUREAU, JANUARY 4 —  
Last, 24 hours' rainfall, Trace; Temperature, max.  
74; min. 63; Weather, Partly cloudy and cool.

SUGAR—96° Test Centrifugals, 4 83; Per Ton,  
\$96.60. 88 Analysis Beets, 14s 8d, Per Ton  
\$103.60.

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HONOLULU, HAWAII TERRITORY, THURSDAY, JANUARY 5, 1905.

PRICE FIVE CENTS.

## HONOLULU WILL HAVE GAS TO BURN BY JUNE

All the Construction Work and Printing to be Done Here and Only a Few Outsiders Employed.

Honolulu householders may probably burn gas for cooking and heating purposes by June 1.

This is the statement made by W. R. Castle, one of the prominent Honoluluans interested in the gas franchise, who returned from San Francisco yesterday on the Mongolia.

The contracts for the tanks have been let, gas experts will arrive here about the middle of the present month to look over the city, and as soon as the fifteen miles, more or less of pipe, contracted for by the Honolulu Iron Works, is completed the mains will be laid within a section bounded generally by Punahou, the waterfront, Liliha street and Judd street on the mauka side.

"The contract has been signed in San Francisco for putting in the gas works, and the gas manufacturing plant with all the necessary appurtenances," said Mr. Castle yesterday. "The Honolulu Iron Works got the contract for the pipe. Already the gas holders are being constructed in San Francisco. One is a 10,000 and the other a 50,000 cubic foot container. The smaller one will be built first and sent here so that it can be put in use as early as possible. The contract calls for the completed work in sixty days. By April 1 we may be able to get down to actual construction work here.

"The contractors will send some men here on a steamer about the middle of the month. They will look over the field to lay out the entire plant and then we shall get to work at once. We will have everything finished by June 1.

"A regular gas canvasser, who is thoroughly conversant with gas business, will find out exactly what we can depend upon for support among the residents, so that connections can be made.

"We have stipulated all the way through that the coast contractors are only to send men here who are experts in matters connected with gas installation and whose services are indispensable. All other people will be hired here. We had several offers from printing concerns on the coast to do our printing but I hold to the idea of home industry and will have such things done here. The policy of our company will be to make it a local company and look after the interests of those who live here.

"The system which has been adopted is the Lowe process for making gas from crude oil. There will be more or less water gas manufactured. We are going to produce a first class heating fuel. It is the same system in use in Oakland. We expect to be able to supply hotels, restaurants and houses with gas for ranges whereby they can cook with every comfort and at a reasonable cost. It will also be supplied as power for use in driving gas engines, etc.

"We have not decided upon the location of the gas works, but we will place them away from residence centers and somewhere near the waterfront, so as to cheapen the expense of the transportation of the crude oil."

## KING WINTER HOLDS A HIGH CARNIVAL

(ASSOCIATED PRESS CABLEGRAMS.)

LONDON, Jan. 5.—The severity of the present weather is most unusual. The streets of Paris are icy, Switzerland has the fiercest blizzard it has known since 1875. Naples is covered with snow and the cold is severe in Rome and Spain.

NEW YORK, Jan. 5.—This city is suffering from the severest storm in years. There are nine inches of snow on the level and traffic has been paralyzed. Seven deaths from cold and great suffering among the poor are reported.

## WANTS CROWN LANDS.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 4.—Edward H. Lilikalani has petitioned the House of Representatives that it appoint a commission to inquire into his title as heir to the Hawaiian crown lands.

## SUGAR FIGHTERS WITHDRAW.

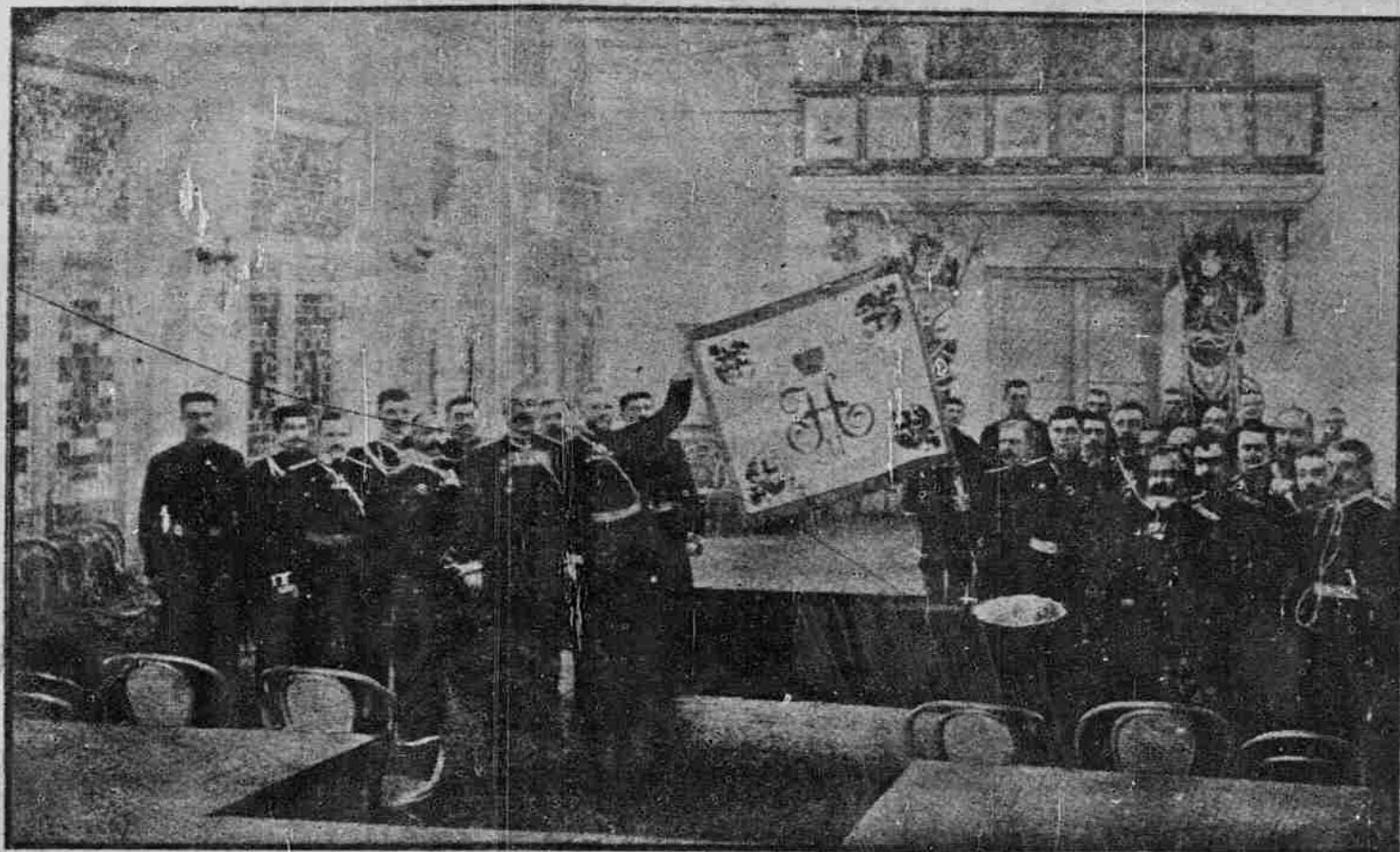
SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 4.—The Peterson Newbauer Companies have withdrawn from the local Sugar Association. The opposition has cut the price a quarter of a cent.

## CIVIC REFORM IN PORTLAND.

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 5.—The Mayor and Chief of Police have been indicted for their failure to suppress gambling.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 4.—Arthur Waal has been nominated postmaster for Lahaina.

## RUSSIA NOW PLUNGED IN GRIEF



GEN. STOESEL AT A MILITARY RECEPTION IN PORT ARTHUR.

## RIOT CALL FOR POLICE

The Cops Turned Out In Force With Guns.

Port Arthur has fallen but the Honolulu Police Station is safe from attack. Last night's riot drill cannot but add to the feeling of security that the people of this city already have. In fifteen minutes from the time the first stroke of the alarm was sounded there was under arms a force that would have been able to cope with a mob of two thousand men. Less than ten minutes later the Capitol and Judiciary Building were surrounded with armed men, the police station and adjacent streets were bristling with bayonets and a full company of foot police, armed with rifles, were on the march toward Aala Park. Five minutes later the big doors of the station swung open and the patrol wagon, carrying the High Sheriff and loaded with armed men dashed out on a tour of inspection.

It has been nearly two years since there has been a riot drill and there were many who did not know the meaning of the five whistles, repeated time and time again. At 8:50 the alarm began to sound and people rushed out of houses to see where the fire was. A minute later policemen were seen coming from all directions on the dead run but all going towards the police station. This started the crowd and in a few minutes the sidewalks on Bethel, Merchant and Nuuanu streets in the vicinity of the station were black with people.

High Sheriff Henry and Deputy High Sheriff Rawlins were in command at the station and sentries carrying bayoneted rifles were posted on Merchant street at the intersections with Bethel and Nuuanu and also directly in front of the station doors. As fast as the men arrived they went into the armory and secured their rifles. The men who were not on duty tumbled into their uniforms as best they could. The first men to reach the station were the foot police who were on the down-town beats. Some of these had to run a long distance, one man being stationed as far away as King and Liliha streets. Others who were off duty live in remote parts of the city and had long runs unless they were lucky enough to catch street cars.

It was a very few minutes after the first foot patrolman put in an appearance when the mounted police began to arrive the first man being the Kaakaako patrol. The three mounted men farthest away from the station were Reuter at Palama, Cooke on Nuuanu avenue and Eddie Holt at Waikiki. Cooke was at the top of the hill on Nuuanu and made rapid time in to the station. Holt and Cooke were in the box at the end of the line. As the mounted men arrived they got their carbines and in a few minutes were ordered to take charge of the government buildings. Under Lieutenant Leslie's command the men formed and rode off down Merchant street at a furious gallop.

The next movement was made by a company of foot police under the com-

mand of Captain Kane who marched to Aala Park and posted sentries, later going through various evolutions. This company had been gone but a few minutes when the patrol wagon containing the High Sheriff and Deputy with a heavily armed guard came out and went to Aala Park and later to the government buildings to inspect the companies stationed there. After the inspection the men were ordered to return. Captain Kane's company coming in at "double quick" and the mounted men at a gallop. The entire force was then lined up in the street. The alignment and discipline of the men was perfect and there were many favorable comments on the appearance of the force.

The roll call was given in the jail-yard. Deputy Sheriff Rawlins spoke a few words to the men, thanking them for their promptness in behalf of the High Sheriff and himself. Both officers expressed great satisfaction with the drill when seen afterward. There were of the foot police thirty-seven officers and men present and four absent, of the mounted police twelve present and two absent one being sick, of the specials there were twelve present and one absent.

Many humorous incidents marked the evening. The crowd on the sidewalks cheered the men as they came in and those who were late came in for a good share of good natured joshing. One of the foot police who was off duty could not find his shoes in the dark and came barefooted, marching with his company in that condition.

"Ned" Crabbe was at one of the hotels when the alarm sounded and it is reported in the company of a fair young lady. When the call of duty came he responded nobly although he had to submit to considerable joking from his comrades.

## RUSSIAN CZAR IS SAID TO BE INSANE AT TIMES

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 26.—David Starr Jordan, president of Stanford University who is in this city, says he has recently received reliable information from Russian sources to the effect that Czar Nicholas is now thoroughly insane at times and that permanent insanity is creeping upon him relentlessly. This is the result of the blow upon the head received by the Emperor while in Japan on his tour of the world several years ago. The blow came from a Japanese crank and was not considered serious at the time. The people of the village where the assault was committed have become so ashamed of the incident that they have petitioned to have the town's name changed.

"I have heard from an authentic Russian source," said Jordan, "that the Czar is yet suffering from the effects of the blow he received years ago. No, I cannot tell you my informant's name, for obvious reasons, but it is said to be well known in St. Petersburg. The Czar's mind is now in a state of confusion and he is unable to perform his duties. He is now confined to his palace and is surrounded by a large number of attendants. The situation is very serious and it is feared that the Czar's health will never be restored."

"Japan is making herself a world power, however. The effect of this war upon the Japanese is hardly understood anywhere. They are fighting in a manner that is full of medieval patriotism. They forget the individual and look only toward the final result."

## THE HOLIDAYS A BLACK FETE

Japanese Warships Seen in the Far South.

20,000 Russians At Port Arthur Are In Bed.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS CABLEGRAMS.)

ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 5.—It is proposed to dispense with all public decorations at Christmas (Greek) owing to the Port Arthur calamity.

The churches are filled with mourners and the War Office is besieged with inquiries about relatives.

The press is blaming officials for concealing the facts.

It is believed the Emperor will issue a decree waiving a court-martial for General Stoessel.

The Government has stopped the street sales of The Russ, owing to its editorial criticisms.

## THE JAPANESE ENTRY.

NAGASAKI, Jan. 5.—The Japanese now have possession of Port Arthur but will not make their formal entry until the 8th.

## JAPANESE WARSHIPS OFF SUMATRA.

BATAVIA, Jan. 5.—Four Japanese warships are off the coast of Sumatra.

## THE NIGRETIA CONDEMNED.

NAGASAKI, Jan. 5.—The British steamer Nigretia has been condemned at Port Arthur. She was a blockade-runner.

## AFTERNOON REPORT.

CHEFOO, Jan. 4.—The evacuation of Port Arthur by the Russian forces has been postponed till Thursday.

BERLIN, Jan. 4.—The prospectus for a new Russian loan of \$81,000,000 will be issued tomorrow.

TOKIO, Jan. 4.—The Japanese captured 25,000 prisoners at Port Arthur. Fully 20,000 of the 35,000 inhabitants of the place are sick.

## TWENTY THOUSAND RUSSIANS ARE SICK AND WOUNDED

Washington, Jan. 4, 1905.

To the Japanese Consul General, Honolulu.

Our Port Arthur army reports as follows: Order is maintained in the town of Port Arthur. The population is composed of 10,000 civilians and 25,000 combatants, whereof there are 20,000 sick and wounded. There are some provisions, but sanitary materials being exhausted the Japanese are very busy in giving their aid.

TAKAHIRA.

## JAPANESE OCCUPY THE BIG PORT ARTHUR FORTS

Washington, Jan. 4th, 1905.

To the Japanese Consul General, Honolulu.

General Nogi reports that the Itsushan and other forts were delivered to us at 1:30 p. m. as a guarantee of capitulation.

TAKAHIRA.

HUNTINGTON, W. Va., Jan. 5.—Eight were killed in a steamboat explosion here.